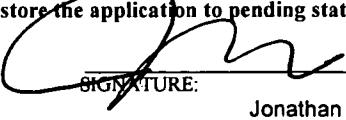


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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP03/05966	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 14 May 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 14 May 2002		
TITLE OF INVENTION THIN BATTERY AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME				
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Hiroshi Maruyama				
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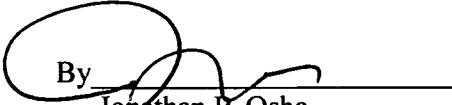
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